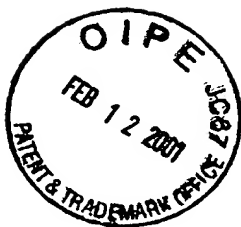


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Applicant: Steven T. Kirsch
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WITH ACCESS CONTROL

PATENT APPLICATION
Group Art Unit: 2171
Examiner: C. Rones

Amendment after Final Rejection

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted in response to the Office Action dated
November 8, 2000 is the following response.

Remarks

Claims 1-19 were pending in the application. No
claims were amended. Therefore, claims 1-19 are currently
pending in the application. Reconsideration of the
application is respectfully requested.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as
being unpatentable by DuFresne.

In rejecting the claims, the Examiner states that
DuFresne discloses, "a search engine having access to access
control lists for documents on the web servers, the access